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DOR Expects Last Minute Rush To Meet Tax Deadline

ATLANTA – With the tax-filing deadline of April 15 rapidly approaching, Georgia Department of Revenue officials are anticipating a last minute rush of returns during the last week.

"We estimate there are still approximately 1.4 million taxpayers who have not filed their returns," said Robert Goolsby, Director of DOR's Income Tax Division.

Goolsby urged last-minute filers to file electronically.

"Electronic filing is proven to be more accurate and it speeds up refunds," he explained. "Another way taxpayers can speed up their refund is to have it deposited directly into their checking or savings account."

Goolsby estimates that the combination of electronic filing and direct deposit gets a refund to a taxpayer 30 days sooner than a regular paper return.

As of April 4, the Department had received 1.3 million electronic returns and had made 491,282 direct deposits. Individuals can file electronically from their personal computer using a state approved software program or through a professional tax preparer, who is a registered electronic returns originator.

Taxpayers desiring information or assistance are encouraged to contact one of DOR's local offices or visit its website at www.gatax.org.